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# **CHARLESTON HARBOR AIRSHOW UPDATE 3/31**

The Charleston Harbor Airshow with the amazing United States Navy Flight Demonstration Squadron, The Blue Angels, will be held on Saturday, April 17 and Sunday, April 18 beginning at 2 pm each day. The show will last one hour each day. The Town of Mount Pleasant and the City of Charleston are co-sponsors of the event. The show will center over Charleston Harbor and the Cooper River.

Details for the public will be sent out as they are completed and confirmed. Details thus far are:

#### **VIEWING LOCATIONS FOR THE PUBLIC:**

#### In Charleston:

- Charleston Maritime Center
- Waterfront Park
- White Point Garden and the Battery
- Liberty Square/Concord Park at Calhoun and Concord

# In Mount Pleasant:

- The best viewing spot is Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum
  - o Aboard the USS Yorktown: fees may be applicable
  - From the parking lot at Patriots Point: \$3 parking fee. Seating will be limited.
    Free access for pedestrians

#### **RESTRICTED BOAT AREAS:**

- Areas in the Cooper River and Charleston Harbor will be restricted in terms of boat traffic and anchorage during the shows.
- More information will be provided closer to the shows.

#### **TUNING IN TO NARRATION:**

 We are currently working on arrangements with local radio stations to play the narration of the Blue Angels show done by one of the team members. Plan on bringing a portable radio to your viewing area to hear the description of the show as the Blue Angels fly.

### **PARKING:**

### **In Charleston:**

 Details are currently being worked out to provide satellite parking and shuttles to viewing areas. More information to come.

# **In Mount Pleasant:**

- Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum Parking: \$3 per vehicle
- Memorial Waterfront Park: .50 cents per hour

#### TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS:

• Some streets near the viewing area may need to be closed and traffic patterns may be affected. More details will be provided as show dates are closer.

**UPDATED INFORMATION** will be posted as received on the Town of Mount Pleasant and City of Charleston websites: Go to <a href="https://www.townofmountpleasant.com">www.townofmountpleasant.com</a> or <a href="https://www.townofmountpleasant.com">www.townofmountplea

The flight demonstration team serves as positive role models and goodwill ambassadors for the U. S. Navy and Marine Corps. Last year, more than 8 million spectators watched the Blue Angels perform.

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